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1. SUMMARY. PESSIMISTIC REPORTS FROM VIENNA DOMINATE APRIL 2
CYPRIOT MEDIA. GREEK CYPRIOT PRESS STRESSES LACK OF TURK CYPRIOT
RESPONSE TO TERRITORIAL PROPOSAL. "TFSC PRESIDENT" DENKTASH
IS QUOTED ON RADIO DAYRAK SUGGESTING GREEK CYPRIOT MAP IS A JOKE
AND COMPLETELY UNREASONABLE. NO GOC OFFICIAL HAS MADE A PUBLIC
STATEMENT ON TALKS. END SUMMARY

2. FRONT PAGES OF ALL APRIL 2 GREEK CYPRIOT PAPERS ARE ALMOST
WHOLLY DEVOTED TO PESSIMISTIC REPORTS ON VIENNA TALKS. STORIES
EMPHASIZE LACK OF RESPONSE TO GREEK CYPRIOT MAP AND PARTIONIST
NATURE OF TURK CYPRIOT CONSTITUTIONAL
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PROPOSAL. ONE PAPER, AGHON, CARRIES A MAP SHOWING GREEK CYPRIOT
POSSESSION OF MORPHOU, KYTHREA AREA AND MUCH OF KARPASS. OLD CITY
FAMAGUSTA IS SHOWN AS TURKISH ENCLAVE.

3. GREEK CYPRIOT PAPERS ALSO REPORT THAT UNSYG WALDHEIM IS
"MAD WITH THE TURKISH INTRANSIGENCE." ONE PAPER, PRO-CLERIDES
SIMENINT, CARRIES BANNER HEADLINE STORY THAT AMERICANS "ARE

TRYING TO KEEP THE TALKS ALIVE." LEFTIST PAPERS HARAVGHI AND TA
NEA USE THE OCCASION TO TAKE A FEW GRATUITOUS SWIPES AT U.S.
AND NATO. AS OF 0900 APRIL 2, THERE WAS NO GOC COMMENT ON TALKS.

4. DENKTASH'S INITIAL REACTION TO THE GREEK CYPRIOT
TERRITORIAL PROPOSALS WAS BROADCAST BY TURK CYPRIOT RADIO
BAYRAK EVENING OF APRIL 1. REFERRING TO THE MAP PRESENTED IN
VIENNA, THE TURK CYPRIOT LEADER SAID IT WAS "UNREALISTIC AND
UNREASONABLE" AND ADDED, "IF THIS IS NOT AN AWKWARD JOKE, IT
MUST BE A WELL PREPARED PROVOCATION FOR OUR REMOVAL FROM THE
CONFERENCE TABLE. WE SHALL WAIT FOR THEM TO COME UP WITH
SOMETHING MORE SERIOUS." MR. DENKTASH CHARGED THE GREEK
SIDE WITH FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ITS COMMITMENT TO SUBMIT
REASONABLE PROPOSALS AND COMPLAINED "THE TWO SIDES ARE NOT IN
VIENNA TO FOOL EACH OTHER AND NO ONE HAS THE RIGHT TO WASTE
THE TIME OF THE UNSYG WITH SUCH JOKES."

5. TURK CYPRIOT PRESS ECHOED DENKTASH'S ANGRY AND PESSIMISTIC
LINE. PRO-DENKTASH ZAMAN SAID GREEK TERRITORIAL PROPOSAL WOULD
MEAN LOSS OF 3 TOWNS AND 78 VILLAGES AND PUBLISHED ALL OF THE
NAMES. PAPER ALSO CARRIED A MAP APPARENTLY BASED ON LINE
DRAWN AROUND THE VILLAGES. THERE WAS NO DIRECT EDITORIAL
REACTION TO APRIL 1 DEVELOPMENTS.
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